

6th Sunday of Pascha; Sunday of the Man Born Blind.; 6-а Неділя Пасхи. Неділя Сліпородженого. The Holy Great Rulers Constantine (337) and Helen (330), Equals-to-the-

Apostles - in the year 313, Constantine and

Licinius signed the edict of Milan by which they gave freedom of worship to the Christians and ended the era of persecution. Very soon, Licinius broke his promise and renewed the persecution of Christians in the East. Constantine declared war against him and defeated him in 324. Thus he became sole Emperor of East and West. Constantine transferred his capital from Rome to Byzantium and gave it his own name "Constantinople." In the year 325, Constantine called the First Ecumenical Council of Nicea, which promulgated the Nicean Creed. He died in the year 337. Helena was the Mother of Constantine. She found the Holy Cross of Christ in Jerusalem where she built the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. She died and was buried in Rome.

Sunday, May 21st, 2017



Daily Divine Liturgies

Monday, May 22 *** 9:00 a.m. *Div. Lit:* +Tekla & +Walter Krywy – Anne
Wyshynsky

Wednesday, May 24 *** 9:00 a.m. *Div. Lit:* God's blessings & good health for John H. & for his intentions *** 6:00 p.m. Vespers Service

Thursday, May 25 *** Feast of Ascension of Our Lord *** 9:00 a.m. *Div. Lit.:* God's blessings for all parishioners – Mission Days - Introduction

Friday, May 26 *** 9:00 a.m. Moleben to the Mother of God – Ist day of Mission Days

Paschal Troparion - Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

Troparion, Tone 5: Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word,* co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,* and born of the Virgin for our salvation.* For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death* and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion, Tone 8: After seeing the image of Your cross in the heavens, O Lord,* and receiving like Paul the summons that was not from men,* Your apostle among kings entrusted into Your hands the imperial city.* Always save it in peace by the prayers of the Mother of God,* only Lover of mankind.

Kontakion, Tone 3: Today Constantine and Helen his mother reveal the cross,* the all-precious wood which shames those who refuse to believe.* Rulers with faith possess it as a weapon against foes;* a glorious standard frightful in battle revealed for the sake of all.

+Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 4: Blinded in the eyes of my soul,* I come to You, O Christ, like the man who was blind from birth,* and I cry in repentance:* You are the brilliant light of those in darkness.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 8: Though You descended into a tomb, O Immortal One,* yet You destroyed the power of Hades;* and You rose as victor, O Christ God,* calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice!* and giving peace to Your Apostles:* You, who grant Resurrection to the fallen.

Prokeimenon, Tone 8 - Pray and give thanks to the Lord our God. **verse:** In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel. (Psalm 76:12,2)

Prokeimenon, Tone 8 - Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth, and their word unto the ends of the world. (Psalm 18:5)



Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (*Acts 16:16-34*) In those days, as the apostles were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us,

she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Alleluia, Tone 8 - Look upon me and have mercy. *verse:* Direct my steps according to Your word.

Gospel: John 9:1-38

At that time, as Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he

was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbours and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man

answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him.

Hymn to the Mother of God - The Angel cried out to the One full of Grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again I say, Rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day, and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Verse: Receive the Body of Christ;* taste the fountain of immortality.

Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens; * praise Him in the highest. * Alleluia, alleluia, * alleluia. (Psalm 18:5)

Instead of "Blessed is He Who comes..." we sing: "Christ is risen from the dead"

Instead of "We have seen the true light..." we sing: "Christ is risen ..."

Instead of "May our mouths be filled..." we sing three times:

Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

Instead of "Blessed be the name of the Lord..." we sing three times:

Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

At the dismissal, instead of "Glory be to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen." we chant: Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

After the final Amen, the priest, with cross raised on high, exclaims "Christ is risen" thrice and we respond "Truly, He is risen" each time. Then, the Troparion "Christ is risen" is sung as at the beginning of the Liturgy, but with the addition: And to us he has granted life eternal;* we bow down before his resurrection on the third day.



"...Stewardship: the wise use of human (natural and spiritual) as well as material resources for building up the Kingdom of God. Stewardship begins with an awareness that everything comes from God and ultimately belongs to God. The most important gift we have received is that of salvation in Jesus Christ. That gift requires our response: sacrifice, dedication and a sense of shared responsibility for the life of the Church and her mission on earth." Stewardship of Divine Gifts – a Christian Way of Life



Please Pray for health of ... Please Pray for health of ... Dzvinka M., Fr. Jeffery S., Hedi M., Sofia B., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Steven P., William Sh., Fr. Edward E., Neville D., Myron S., Dianne L., Pat S., Lily-Ann S., Kathleen B., Mary D., Nick L., Pauline P., Ray S., Cameron V., Rose O., Roman D., Bonny H.,

Ric B., Shirley C., Peter D., Sandra Sh., Patricia U., Yvette U., Peter S., and all other parishioners and family members who need God's healing at the present time.

Please let Fr. Andrzej know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

A warm welcome - to all parishioners, your families, visitors and guests. Thank you for joining us in this Divine Liturgy. Have a blessed week!

Sunday 2nd Divine Liturgy in Ukrainian – will be celebrated today, Sunday May 21st & next Sunday, May 28th.

Next Pastoral Address – will take place today Sunday, May 21st, after the first Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.

Children's Catechism – will take place next Sunday, May 28th after the Div. Lit. at 9:00 a.m.

Dormition Parish Council Meeting – will take place on Monday, May 29th at

First Solemn Communion – at the Dormition parish will be celebrated on **Sunday, June 4**th. We will have three children to be part of this very special event.

Kneeling during the Easter Season – a reminder that traditionally from Easter Sunday until Pentecost we do not kneel during the Divine Liturgy. As a sign of our redemption and final resurrection, we offer our prayers to God while standing.

"Old" church bulletins box — since our Sunday bulletins contain scripture readings & icons, they need to be disposed of properly/respectfully after use. Please do not throw them into the garbage but recycle them after shredding if possible. In order to assist with this request, we have provided a special box for used bulletins in the church entrance. If you bring your old bulletins they will be shredded in the parish office.

You are Invited: "The Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church Praznyk/Parish Feast Day on Sunday, June 11th, 2017. The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. Reception to follow at the church hall. (Clergy and Religious – FREE, Adults - \$15, Children 6-12 - \$7.50 Children under 6 - FREE). We are looking forward to see, pray, welcome and share the joy of celebration with you!

Please, let us know about your participation by noon of Sat., June 3rd, 2017."

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Parish: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100015447278945 Sincerely Yours in Risen Christ,

Fr. Pavlo with Family and Parishioners

Mark your calendar * Camp Saint Volodymyr 2017 * Aug. 20-27

The purpose of camp is to provide an opportunity for youth to experience God through nature and the companionship of others. Children will experience Ukrainian language and culture during camp along with games, religious activities, hikes, sports, arts and crafts, camp fires, water activities and other summer camp activities.

This marks the 34th year of our Ukrainian Catholic Summer Camp. Camp will take place in Kelowna at the OAC facility. Camp offers a wide range of activities for campers aged 7-15 (as of December 31, 2017). Registration will be available online via Eventbrite "Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2017." Early bird registration Ends July 6, 2017.

WAYS TO HELP *** VOLUNTEER

Camp St. Volodymyr is a nonprofit camp, run on a volunteer basis. If you are interested in helping at this year's camp as a counsellor, chef, arts & crafts or cultural coordinator

please contact Jennifer. Application forms for counsellors are due May 15, 2017. All volunteers will be subject to a criminal records check and must sign the camp code of conduct.

For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or jennsawka@hotmail.com. Visit our webpage via www.nweparchy.ca

DONATE

We are always happy to accept food donations of vegetables, fruits, cereals, and treats for children such as cakes, cookies, as well as monetary donations. Tax receipts can be issued with donations of \$25 or more.

**** The registration for our Eparchial summer camp is now **OPEN**. To register follow the link:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/camp-st-volodymyr-bc-2017-tickets-32623288133?aff=utm_source%3Deb_email%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dnew_event_email&utm_term=eventurl_text

You can also access the link through our camp's website <u>csv.nweparchy.ca</u>.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: OCTOBER 12 - 24, 2017 - Walk in the footsteps of Jesus; an unforgettable experience with Fr. Joe Ostapowich, Sr. Angelica SSMI, brother & sister pilgrims.

For details and price call Myrna Arychuk at 604 - 617 - 7200

50th Parish Anniversary – Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Church in Surrey, BC will be holding the Celebration of the 50th Anniversary on **Saturday**, **October 21st at 5:00 PM** – Banquet (5 STAR CATERING SUNRISE BANQUET & CONFERENCE CENTRE 5640 188 Str.) and on Sunday, October 22nd the Divine Liturgy at 11:00 am.

If you would like to submit some photos or other materials for 50th Anniversary Celebration, please use the following e-mail address: 50holycross@gmail.com

Faithful Giving – beloved in Christ, always remember that we never take a day off or a vacation from God, or from our obligation to attend Divine Liturgy on Sundays. When traveling, working or studying, make sure you check out the service schedule for the area churches at our eparchial website: www.nweparchy.ca and attend the Divine Liturgy. Please remember as well that while parishioners may be away and on



remember as well, that while parishioners may be away and on vacation, the parish is not. Expenses continue as they do throughout the year. Please remain consistent in your gifts to your parish. Your weekly Sunday offering is important to our financial wellbeing. If you are away, we appreciate it when you forward your "make-up" donations.

The financial stability of the parish counts on regular Sunday contributions. Please continue to be generous!



Dormition Parish Stewardship: Sunday, May 14 - \$1,525.00.

Mission Days - A Ten Day Journey
Ascension (May 25) to Pentecost
(June 4) –

Through our active participation in the spiritual efforts of these ten Mission Days, once again we are called upon to discover and understand anew that



our parish communities and families (domestic churches) are missionary in nature. Such understanding flows from the gift of our Baptism, by virtue of which, and through the power of its mystery, we have committed ourselves to believe, live, serve, and share the experience of our faith in Christ; and not simply with our family members, but with everyone we meet in life. Thus, the mission of our parish community is to allow Christ to enter deeper into our lives, to carry the Good News beyond our own community and to support those who expand the boundaries of the Kingdom of God with their missionary activity and chaplaincy ministry.

From the feast of the Ascension to Pentecost, together with our entire parish community, let us pray that the Lord might renew our life in God by the grace and intercession of the Holy Spirit.

If circumstances do not allow your parish to conduct Mission Days during the week or if you personally cannot participate in them, you are invited to observe Mission Days in your own home, setting aside at least five minutes of family time in order to read the Guidebook together (Word of God, Meditation, Quotation-witness, Prayer), and then to discuss among yourselves the Missionary Tasks provided for each day. Another possibility is to observe Mission Days in a prayerful gathering together with other families, with your neighbors, for example. (from the Guidebook...)

Introduction: Thursday, May 25 *** Feast of the Ascension of our Lord, *** Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.

First Day: Friday, May 26 *** "A Divine Love that Brings Joy " *** Moleben to the Mother of God at 9:00 a.m.

Second Day: Saturday, May 27 *** "Liberation from Sin " – *** **Penticton Parish** at 4:00 p.m. – Divine Liturgy

Third Day: Sunday of the Holy Fathers, May 28 *** "God is With Us – We Belong to God" *** Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:

- 1. You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Communion);
- 2. You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently;
- *3.* You attend Divine Services regularly;
- 4. Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church;
- 5. You have kept the Liturgical fast no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy (water & medicine does not break the fast).
- 6. You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel.
- 7. To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace.

 If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.
- **A Reminder about appropriate reception of Holy Communion when approaching to receive the Holy Eucharist, the faithful are reminded to open their mouth wide and tilt their head back. Also, please avoid licking the spoon. **